From: Ratterree, Brent

Sent: Thursday, August 18, 2005 3:39 PM

To: AHCCCS Outpatient Hospital Fee Schedule

Cc: Fruitman, Cecilia; Petre, Lori

**Subject:** RE: discharge time FL 21, #353

According to the 4010 837I implementation guide the discharge hour segment is required on all final inpatient claims/encounters. According to the National Uniform Billing Data Element Specifications as developed by the National Uniform Billing Committee the discharge hour is not necessary for outpatient bills and the value '99' was discontinued as of 10/16/03.

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From: AHCCCS Outpatient Hospital Fee Schedule

Sent: Thursday, August 18, 2005 3:19 PM

To: Ratterree, Brent

Subject: FW: discharge time FL 21, #353

Per Lori's request, the issue below has been reassigned to you. Thanks!

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**From:** Lori Petre [mailto:LPETRE@eppconsulting.com]

**Sent:** Thursday, August 18, 2005 10:38 AM **To:** AHCCCS Outpatient Hospital Fee Schedule **Subject:** RE: discharge time FL 21, #353

Please assign to Brent with a cc to me on the response. Thanks!

Lori Petre EP&P Consulting, Inc.

**From:** AHCCCS Outpatient Hospital Fee Schedule [mailto: AHCCCSOutpatientHospitalFeeSchedule@ahcccs.state.az.us]

Sent: Thursday, August 18, 2005 10:33 AM

To: Lori Petre; Petre, Lori

Subject: FW: discharge time FL 21, #353

This has been logged in the AHCCCS Outpatient Workgroup Log as Action Item #353. Please send your response to the AHCCCS Outpatient Hospital Fee Schedule Workgroup email address so it can be formatted and the response emailed back accordingly. Thank you!

-----Original Message-----

From: Moore, Jane [mailto:jmoore@carondelet.org]

Sent: Thursday, August 18, 2005 10:16 AM

To: 'AHCCCSOutpatientHospitalFeeSchedule@ahcccs.state.az.us'

Cc: Crisci, Vince

Subject: discharge time FL 21

We have been in discussion with UFC because they are denying our outpatient claims if there is not a discharge hour printed in FL21. They made this requirement April 1st probably due to interpreting OPPS changes. They previously allowed us to use 99. They say they get denials when they enter claims into a state encounter data system. This is the ONLY payer among all our AHCCCS, Commercial, Medicare claims submitted that is denying outpatient claims for lack of info in FL21. Can you please assist in helping us determine what should be submitted?

Jane Moore, RN, BSN,CPC Revenue Auditor Carondelet Health Network Member of Ascension Health jmoore@carondelet.org 520-872-7312

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